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SUBJECT: INDEPENDENCE DAY AFTERMATH: SECURITY FORCES RELAX A BIT

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1. EXTRAORDINARY DISPLAY OF PRESENCE BY SECURITY FORCES NOTED IN REFTEL HAS ENDED. UNIFORMED POLICE NOW CIRCULATING IN NORMAL NUMBERS AND APPEAR TO HAVE RESUMED CUSTOMARY DUTIES. INTENSIVE OVERT SURVEILLANCE OF HOMES OF MYONGDONG DEFENDANTS AND OTHER OPPOSITION ALSO MENTIONED IN REFTEL APPEARS TO HAVE SUBSIDED. ON MARCH 4, EMBASSY CHECKED AT RESIDENCES OF THREE MYONGDONG FAMILIES WHICH HAD ATTRACTED HEAVIEST POLICE ATTENTION ON MARCH 1, THOSE OF FIM TAE CHUNG, YUN PO SSN AND CHONG IL HYONG, AND FOUND THEM FREE OF OVERT POLICE PRESENCE.

2. WITH PASSAGE OF INDEPENDENCE DAY AND THE FAVORABLE OCCASION IT PRESENTED FOR DRAMATIC ANTI-GOVERNMENT PROTEST, THE SECURITY FORCES CAN DROP THEIR GUARD A BIT, BUT ONLY A BIT. ROKG ATTENTION WILL NOW FOCUS MORE ON THE STUDENTS WHO ARE RESUMING CLASSES AND NOW SEEM TO REPRESENT THE MOST LIKELY POTENTIAL SOURCE OF ANTI-ROKG PROTEST ON THE HORIZON.

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